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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

Thursday, April 16, 2015 10:30 a.m. Room 308, House Office Building

The House Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Tom Barrett.

Members present: Representatives Barrett, Hughes, Hooker, Outman, Courser, Glenn, Rutledge, Talabi, and Faris.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Glenn moved to adopt the minutes from the Thursday, March 19, meeting.

The motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 52 before the committee:

SB 52	(Stamas)	Veterans; other; veterans welcome home act; replace reference to "department of labor and economic growth" with "Michigan veterans affairs agency".
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Meghann Keit, from Senator Stamas' office explained SB 52 to the committee.

Lino B Pretto, representing the Purple Heart and the Marine Corps League, submitted a testimony card in support of SB 52, but did not wish to speak.

Jim Wallace, State Commander of the American Legion, submitted a testimony card in support of SB 52, but did not wish to speak.

Steve Kozera, representing the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, submitted a testimony card in support of SB 52, but did not wish to speak.

Jack Devine, representing the Vietnam Veterans of America, submitted a testimony card in support of SB 52, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid HCR 3 before the committee:

HCR 3	(Maturen)	A concurrent resolution to urge the U.S. Department of Defense Missile Defense Agency to select the Fort Custer Training Center
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as the location for a new ground based interceptor ballistic missile defense mission.

General Michael Stone, representing the Michigan National Guard, testified in support of HCR 3.

Derek Nofz, representing Southwest Michigan First, testified in support of HCR 3.

Lino B Pretto, representing the Purple Heart and the Marine Corps League, submitted a testimony card in support of HCR 3, but did not wish to speak.

Steve Kozera, representing the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, submitted a testimony card in support of HCR 3, but did not wish to speak.

Jim Wallace, State Commander of the American Legion, submitted a testimony card in support of HCR 3, but did not wish to speak.

Jack Devine, representing the Vietnam Veterans of America, submitted a testimony card in support of HCR 3, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Hooker offered substitute (H-2) to HCR 3.

Representative Hooker moved to adopt substitute (H-2) to HCR 3.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Barrett, Hughes, Hooker, Outman, Courser, Glenn, Rutledge, Talabi, Faris.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative Hughes moved to report HCR 3 (H-2).

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Barrett, Hughes, Hooker, Outman, Courser, Glenn, Rutledge, Talabi, Faris.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

The Chair laid HR 29 before the committee:

HR 29 (Lucido) A resolution to memorialize the Congress of the United States to require the U.S. Department of Defense to ensure that replacement aircraft are assigned to Selfridge Air National Guard Base to compensate for the proposed elimination of the A-10 fleet.

Brigadier General Len Isabelle, representing the Michigan National Guard, testified in support of HR 29.

Lino B Pretto, representing the Purple Heart and the Marine Corps League, submitted a testimony card in support of HR 29, but did not wish to speak.

Steve Kozera, representing the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, submitted a testimony card in support of HR 29, but did not wish to speak.

Jim Wallace, State Commander of the American Legion, submitted a testimony card in support of HR 29, but did not wish to speak.

Jack Devine, representing the Vietnam Veterans of America, submitted a testimony card in support of HR 29, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Rutledge moved to report HR 29.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Barrett, Hughes, Hooker, Outman, Courser, Glenn, Rutledge, Talabi, Faris.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 11:30 a.m.

Representative Tom Barrett, Chair

Kevin Gawronski
Committee Clerk
April 16, 2015
1 hour

Date Approved and Signed